between the user's thumb and the user's index finger is reduced when the user's thumb is moved from the gripping position to actuate the side button while the user's index finger remains fixed on the primary button, wherein the thumb gripping position comprises a surface that is substantially level with a surface of the at least one side button along a boundary between the gripping position and the at least one side button [wherein the thumb gripping position comprises a surface that is substantially level with a surface of the at least one side button along a boundary between the gripping position and the at least one side button].

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18. (Twice Amended) A mouse for a computer system the mouse comprising:

a secondary button;

a ring finger distal phalanx contact area comprising at least one convex surface comprising surface points having normals that at least partially point away from a working surface over which the mouse is moved, the ring finger distal phalanx contact area being separate from the secondary button; and

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a little finger distal phalanx contact area comprising a convex surface having at least one surface point having a normal that at least partially points away from the working surface.